

Houston Locals.

Mr W P Knox of Okolona spent Tuesday in the city on business.

Miss Trudie Ramsey is home from Starkville where she attended the summer Normal at the A. & M. College.

Miss Daisy Foster Porter of Okolona was over Sunday to see her sister, Miss Lena Ray Foster, who has been sick for several days.

Mrs. Lenard Flynn has returned to her home in New Orleans after spending a month with relatives here.

Houston's Third Team is going some. They haven't lost a game since the present team was organized.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Myers and family are home from an extended visit to relatives at Memphis and other points.

A milk cow with twin calves for sale. Will give from three to four gallons per day. See W. L. or R. T. Hollingsworth.

Mr. Rufus Beasley of Trent, Texas, brother of the late Rob Beasley, has been in Houston the past week the guest of relatives.

Houston's Baseball Team will play ball here July 29-30-31. No team has yet been secured but the boys hope to get a strong team as that is what it takes to interest our boys.

Mr. Hal Brannon returned from Memphis Wednesday where he has been at the bedside of his wife for a several days. He reports Mrs. Brannon some better when he left Memphis.

Mrs. Ben Collins, Misses Lucile Collins and Artie Belle Wilkinson, and Messrs. Henry Torvall and Elliott Parker motored out to Buena Vista Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Malcolm Tabb entertained quite a number of young people in honor of her cousin, Miss Sue May White of Memphis, on the evening of the 23rd.

Mrs. H. B. Watkins and little son of Plattsburg were the guests of Mrs. Rob Beasley a few days this week. Mrs. Watkins will be remembered by friends as Miss Sybil Bowles.

Mr. A. E. Tabb and little daughter Minnie Avery spent Sunday in Houlika. Mr. Tabb returned Monday leaving Minnie Avery for a weeks visit to her grandparents.

Miss Ollita Cross of Montpellier spent two or three days with her cousins, the Misses Roane this week. Miss Cross was returning from a visit to friends at Corinth.

The many friends of Miss Eva Johnson will be glad to hear that she was not seriously hurt when thrown from a horse last Saturday. She was carried to Memphis yesterday her father, J. E. Johnson, for treatment.

Master Charles Berry brought to The Hummer office a stalk of corn that far surpasses anything we have ever seen in the corn line. It measured 13 1-2 feet in length and had had 4 large ears of corn on it.

Miss Zora Gershorn of Pontotoc was the charming guest of Miss Evelyn Davis first of the week. Miss Gershorn was enroute home from Ellison Wells where she was the guest of friends for several weeks.

Mrs. Mary Anderson will leave Saturday for Jackson, Tenn., where she will visit friends and relatives for sometime. Mrs. Anderson has been the guest of Mrs. Claud Hightower for sometime and has a host of friends here, who regret to see her leave.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTICE.

All parties interested in maintaining Sunday School at the Christian church are urged to be present Sunday at 9:15 a. m. Everybody is cordially invited.

J. B. Hastings, Supt.

Mrs. R. G. Winter is visiting relatives in Calhoun county this week.

Mr. Leon Woods is at home, after a visit in Tennessee.

Mrs W P Shell is very sick at this writing.

Editor Rad H. Reed spent Monday with the candidates at Woodland.

Miss Alcie Barr is the guest of friends here this week.

Mesdames R. G. Winter and Evans Goza spent this week in Calhoun City.

Miss Mary Grace of New Albany is the guest of Miss Queenie Griffin this week.

Dr. V. B. Philpot left Saturday for Biloxi to attend the encampment.

Mrs. Peden of Memphis, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Sid Walker this week.

When in need of first-class brick or high grade cypress Shingles call on R. G. Winter.

Mrs J V Boring and sister, Miss Irene Huddleston visited friends at Sonora last week.

Mrs W E Hubbard and children are the guest of Mrs Hubbard's father at Cotton Plant.

Mrs L H Rutledge and children returned last Saturday from a three week's visit to her parents in Arkansas.

Mr. Rex Winter who holds a good position in an Okolona Bank is at home for a vacation.

Miss Zilda Gladney reached home Friday. She has spent a month at Starkville at the A. & M.

Miss Willie Jean Lewis is spending this week with her uncle on his dredge boat near Atlanta.

Miss Pearlina Hanna of Vardaman spent Wednesday in the home of Mrs. Will Tabb.

Dr. S. W. Kemp, of Vardaman spent a few days with home folks this week.

Mr. D. L. Andrews carried a carload of beef cattle to St. Louis, Wednesday.

Watch The Hummer for box scores of games played by the Houston Boys.

Miss Lizzie Johnson of Cleveland is the guest of J E Johnson and family this week.

Mr and Mrs J B Paulk, are entertaining a young lady at their home born Tuesday July 21.

O H Tabb has moved into the residence formerly occupied by Dr C D Davis.

Mr and Mrs D L Andrews and Mr John M Walker and daughter, Miss Marguarite spent Monday at Woodland.

Edd H Chennault left Sunday for Memphis, where he was operated on Monday. We learn that he is doing nicely.

Mr and Mrs D L Andrews returned Monday from Weir where they were the guest of Mr and Mrs J D Lynch for a few days.

Mrs Emma Ruff and children spent a few days in Clay County the guest of her sister, Mrs. Kate Ashby.

Dr. Sid Evans and his daughter Miss Maggie Tate, left Tuesday for Memphis, Tenn., where Miss Tate will undergo an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. J. E. Hill entertained at rook for her sister's the Misses Oldham of Oxford on the morning of the 25th inst. A delicious salad course was served.

Mrs. Eva Abernathy and little daughter, Miriam Walderdorf of New Albany are the guests of Mrs. Stanford this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Turner and baby of Brennon, Texas were the guests of Judge and Mrs. W. S. Bates this week.

Misses Estelle and Corinne Winter returned Tuesday, from Memphis.

MATHEWS-DAVIS

A marriage that will interest their many friends took place in Okolona, when Mr. A. J. Mathews and Miss Annie Davis were united in marriage.

Their intentions were kept very quiet and only a few close friends and relatives knew that the happy event was so near at hand.

Rev. Augustus being out of town and the evening pleasant for a drive, Misses Etoile and Annie Davis, Miss Alice Barr and Messrs Mathews and Vauk left Houston in a car and on arriving at Okolona repaired immediately to the Methodist Parsonage and were happily married.

The party returned to Houston and the happy couple took up their abode at the residence formerly occupied by O. H. Tabb and family, where they are receiving the congratulations of their friends.

The Hummer sincerely extends heartiest congratulations and wishes for them all the happiness, joy and prosperity on the calmest seas and most pacific oceans of married life.

To the Voters of the Northern District of Mississippi:

(Vote for W B Wilson)

I hereby announce myself as candidate for re-election to the office of Railroad Commissioner for the Northern District of Mississippi. I thank you for the splendid vote you gave me four years ago.

In announcing my candidacy for re-election I refer you to the manner in which I have performed my duties of the office for the past four years. I promised you during the last election that if elected I would give the duties of the office my best thought and energy. I have made an honest effort to fulfill that promise. I have availed myself of every opportunity to inform myself of the power and duties of a commissioner and in each complaint made for action by the commission I have diligently inquired into the merits of the complaint by personally going upon the ground and becoming acquainted with the facts at first hand. Every action I have taken upon every item of business coming before us has been that which I thought was right and which justice demanded. I have no doubt made mistakes, but if so it was of the head and not of the heart.

If re-elected I again promise to do the very best my ability will permit to properly discharge the duties of office. I feel that my experience of 12 years in the office has been a valuable school to qualify me for better and more intelligent service in the future.

My platform: I will give each complaint to me or to the Commission, and each item of business coming before the Commission, an honest, candid and fair investigation upon its merits and dispose of it as I think honest, fair, and just.

I can only refer you to my record as evidence of my good faith in laying down the above platform. If you consider the record worthy of endorsement by a second term, I will greatly appreciate it and re-double my efforts to make you a better Commissioner.

Respectfully,
W. B. WILSON.

To the Voters of Chickasaw County

I take this method to yet tell the people that I am still in the race for Circuit Clerk. On account of a serious operation on my foot I am compelled to remain in the hospital for some time yet. Whether I will be able to join the boys on the on the Grand Rounds or not I assure you THAT MY HEART IS RIGHT THERE. TO my friends who are so kindly pushing my cause along I sincerely THANK-YOU from the bottom of my heart. Remember that my hat is still in the ring and that I hope for YOUR VOTE. Please Sir, Please Sir, Thanks.

Edd Chennault.

Knox Declared Nominee

Hon. Rush H. Knox has been declared the Democratic Nominee for the Third Judicial District, he having no opponent. This is an honor that is due Mr Knox for the efficient good work he has done for the district since he has been District Attorney. Mr. Knox has shown no partiality to none; persecuted no one—but has been fair to all alike. Houston is proud of her District Attorney, and some day we hope to see him in the Congress of the U. S.

Read Mr. Griffin's Letter.

To the Citizens of Houlika, and surrounding country:

Do you study the subject of "what is meant by consolidation?"

A consolidated school is formed by the grouping of two schools into one school, using the territory embraced in both public school districts. Sometimes the transportation of pupils who reside two or more miles from the school building is considered at public expense; and, sometimes consolidation is effected by location of the school-house so near the center of the district as to render it unnecessary for public transportation. The benefits resulting from consolidation are many. It creates larger community interests which stimulates the spirit of co-operation among the country people and the town people, makes good the securing of well trained teaching force and makes possible the elimination of the inexperienced teacher problem. It makes possible—a better classification of the pupils, thereby insuring better success in progress and efficiency of their school work—making it possible, in the near future, the instruction in domestic science to the girls, and manual training for the boys; besides, the more equitable distribution of the expenses incident to the successful conduct of the school.

We will have a more social and economic outlook for the whole community which will be embraced in the territory of both schools. The school may be graded consistently, and a division of necessary service of teachers renders a possibility of longer time for recitations with better interest to engage the minds of the children.

Yours with best wishes,

W. H. GRIFFIN.

Chairman of Committee on School Consolidation.

Notice to Contractors.

State of Mississippi,
Chickasaw County.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of said county and State, will on the 1st Monday and the 2nd day of August, 1915, in front of the Court House door in the Town of Houston, Mississippi, receive bids for the following work: 200 yards, more or less, dirt work over Walker Creek on Babbitt road, and gravel covering for the same.

1-2 mile, more or less, graveling on Houston and Treble road in Houlika bottom.

160 yards, more or less, dirt work on Houston and Treble road in Houlika bottom.

150 yards, more or less, dirt work on Umberson road and gravel covering for the same.

1-2 mile, more or less, graveling on pike, Houston and Okolona road in Chuquatonchee bottom.

50 foot trestle work on Schooner Valley road on Houlika pike.

1-2 mile, more or less, pike work on Houlika and Schooner Valley road in Cane Creek bottom, and plank covering for the same.

1 bridge 120 feet long on Houlika and Okolona road on Chuquatonchee pike.

All to be built according to the plans and specifications on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk at Houston, Miss. The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Witness my signature this 8th day of July 1915.

H. E. Brannon, Clerk

C. E. Haebele

H. Masterson

Buy Stock Every Day in the Year

What Have You?

Houlika,

Mississippi

HOULKA LOCAL NEWS

LOST—Between old Houlika and New Houlika, one bunch of School house keys, on key ring. Finder please return and get reward.

J. J. Weaver

Miss Pepper of Mantee is the guest of Miss Mary Allye Green.

Miss Maude Atwell is visiting her brother Mr. R. C. Atwell.

Mr. Clyde Lewis, who has served Uncle Sam in the Navy for the past two years, is back with home folks.

Mr. George Morgan and family of Reid visited his sister Mrs. B. L. Philips the later part of the week.

Mrs. James Floyd and son of Calhoun County passed thru here Monday enroute to Pontotoc.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Reeder and wife of Crawford are visiting the formers parents.

The boys of Houlika have organized a base ball club. The name of the team is "Red Sox." They are prepared to play teams from 12 to 14 years of age.

Come to Houlika Saturday the 24 There will be a barbecue and basket dinner for all.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Haney a baby girl.

Several from here attended the grand round speaking at Bechem Tuesday.

Double header ball game Saturday on Houlika grounds between Houston 3rd Team and Houlika Red Sox.

Miss Bernice Boyd with Misses Virginia and Erin Foster, left old Houlika Saturday for West Point.

Messrs. Daniel S. Johnson, Sr. and Warren Reid attended opening of the Grand Rounds at Woodland Monday.

A NATIONS HOPE

Who are the men of the morrow?
Seek ye the boys of today;
Follow the plow and the 1 a row,
Look where they rake hay.

Walk with the cows from the pasture;
Seek 'mid the tasseled corn;
Try where you hear the thrasher,
Humming in the early morn.

Who are the men of the morrow?
Look at their sturdy arm!
A nation's hope for the future
Lives in the boy on the farm.

—American Agriculturist.

Trustee Sale Notice.

By virtue of the provisions of a certain Deed of Trust executed on the 27th day of October, 1913, by Chickasaw Cotton Oil Company, through L. E. Brevard, President of said Cotton Oil Company, and S. D. Murphree, Secretary and Treasurer thereof, which said Deed of Trust was executed to me as Trustee to secure a certain indebtedness therein mentioned to J. E. and Robert York, which said Deed of Trust is of record in Book 110, at Page 322, of the Trust Deed records of Chickasaw County, Mississippi, and default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness therein mentioned, I will, as said Trustee, in said Deed of Trust, on

Saturday August 14th 1915.
sell, for cash, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, within legal hours, in front of the East door of the Court House in the town of Houston, Chickasaw County, Mississippi, the following described property, situated in said town, County and State, to-wit: Lots 67 and 68, according to the Griffin survey of the town of Houston, Mississippi. Also the Chickasaw Cotton Oil Company's plant, including all machinery apparatus, furniture, fixtures and tools.

The title to the above property is believed to be good, but I will sell and convey only such title as is vested in me as Trustee.

This July 7th 1915.

Geo. Harsh, Trustee.

Houlika is getting ready for the BIG DAY Saturday. BE THERE.

Everybody in Houlika and her friends everywhere are are rejoiced to hear of Mrs. Ellye Beasley's great improvement in health. She successfully stood an operation for appendicitis last week performed by her brother in Waco, Texas. The Hummer extends happiest wishes for further recovery.

Mr. Jake Beasley, daughter, and son, spent the day in Woodland Monday.

To Mr. Eugene McCormick, THANKS for a big, juicy watermelon.

Houlika will be ON THE JOB SATURDAY. Bring your smiles along.

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W. H. GRIFFIN

P. O. Box 143 - Houlika, Miss.

Baxter N. Knox Attorney-at-Law

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All Day Singing

There will be an all day singing at Center Hill Church Saturday, August the 7th. Everybody invited to attend, and bring a basket. Time will be arranged between old Harp and new book singers after they arrive on grounds. Be sure and bring your basket and have a good time.

D. C. Chennault,
Will Helms,
Deacons.

Humus is decayed vegetable matter in the soil and is a very important constituent in rendering soils fertile. There are a number of reasons for this, prominent among which are the following: First, the organic matter contains the essential plant food elements and as it decays these elements are changed into forms available to plants. In other words, the plant food is put in condition to be used again. Second, as the organic matter decays certain acids are produced and these, acting upon the insoluble mineral constituents in the soil, dissolve and render them available to plants. Third, many of the changes in the soil are brought about by bacterial action, and decaying organic matter furnishes food for the bacteria so they can grow and multiply and thus render more mineral plant food elements soluble in the soil water. Plants cannot take up solid foods from the soil; before they can appropriate food it must first be gotten in solution like sugar goes into solution when put into water.

Then there are other ways in which humus benefits the soil. It renders the soil dark in color, and a dark soil absorbs more heat than a light colored one; that is of considerable advantage in the early spring. A soil filled with organic matter is also capable of holding more moisture than one that is deficient in this constituent. In a dry year this may mean the difference between a fair crop and a complete failure.

These being facts, why don't we plow under more organic matter? Why don't we grow more clover or other legumes which actually draw plant food—nitrogen—from the air and store it up in their tissues later to be converted into plant food in the soil? Every man should include one or more legumes in his rotation for soil building purposes and thus maintain the fertility of his farm.